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PARTICLES, THEIR PRODUCTION AND THEIR USE IN
DIAGNOSTIC ASSAYS AND VACCINES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
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SIR:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-3, 5-17, 19-30, 32-41 and 43-48
by rewriting same as set forth below:

1. (Amended) Recombinant non-fused VP1 protein of the human parvovirus B19, formed in Spodoptera frugiperda cells which by means of a baculovirus expression vector system have